MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know who the registry-holder of the site is?

PRESIDENT: This question has developed into a discussion. It must cease.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): I am asking because it only arises from the answer given by the member.

PRESIDENT: This subject must cease.

Retrenchment of expenditure in the Agricultural Department.

312. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state the nature of the retrenchments effected in the Agricultural Department and the amount of money saved in that Department?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The following retrenchments were effected in the Department of Agriculture:—

I. Abolition of the following institutions.—

(1) Agricultural School, Alwaye.
(2) Sericultural Branch of the Department.
(3) Demonstration Farm, Eraniel.
(4) Experimental Farm, Kottarakara.
(5) Manure Depot, Nagercoil.
(6) Cattle Farm, Esantimangalam.

II. Appointments abolished as a result of the above and otherwise.

(*a*) *Fruit Farm, Cape Comorin.*

(1) First Grade Agricultural Inspector on Rs. 75-5-100-10-150.
(2) One peon on Rs. 9-1/6-11.

(*b*) *Manure Depot, Nagercoil.*

(1) Store-keeper on Rs. 20-2/3-30.
(2) One peon on Rs. 9-1/6-11.

(*c*) *Paddy Farm, Nagercoil.*

(1) One clerk on Rs. 20-2/3-30.
(2) One Maistry on Rs. 14.

(*d*) *Demonstration Farm, Eraniel.*

(1) One Agricultural Sub-Inspector on Rs. 35-5/2-50.
(2) One peon on Rs. 9-1/6-11.

(*e*) *Experimental Farm, Kottarakara.*

(1) One Agricultural Sub-Inspector on Rs. 35-5/2-50.
(2) One peon on Rs. 9-1/6-11.

(*f*) *Sericultural Branch.*

(1) One Sericultural Inspector on Rs. 100 (60-5-100)
(2) One Do. Sub-Inspector on Rs. 35 (25-2-35)
(3) One clerk on Rs. 20-2/3-30.
(4) One Maistry on Rs. 17.

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[Mr. A. Kumara Pillai.]

(5) One Demonstrator on Rs. 15-1-20.
(6) One peon on Rs. 9-1/6-11.

(*g*) *Cattle Farm, Esantimangalam.*

(1) One Veterinary Inspector on Rs. 50-5/2-75.
(2) One peon on Rs. 9-1/6-11.

III. Other retrenchments.

(i) The number of grants-in-aid to private persons for maintaining stud bulls has been reduced from 20 to 15 and the rate of grant has been reduced from Rs. 75 per annum to Rs. 50 per annum.

(ii) The rates of grant to private native veterinary *vaidyans* and veterinary hospitals have been reduced as shown below :—

Old grant.	*Revised grant.*
1 on Rs. 25 per mensem	1 on Rs. 20 per mensem.
2 on Rs. 15 each ,,	2 on Rs. 12 each ,,
2 on Rs. 12 each ,,	2 on Rs. 10 each ,,

(iii) The temporary blacksmith and the temporary carpenter of the Koni school have been abolished.

(iv) The headquarters of the Agricultural Inspector, Shertallai, has been shifted to Vaikam where a Government building is available for holding his office to save the expenditure on account of rent at Rs. 10 per mensem.

The financial effect of the above retrenchment is a saving of over Rs. 11,000 per annum. Besides this, reductions have been made in the expenditure under contingencies and travelling allowance.

Acting clerks in the Ayurveda Department.

313. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether by G. O. Dis. 69, dated the 4th January 1930, they have declared the ranks and claims of the acting clerks in the Ayurveda Department ;

(*b*) whether the appointments of clerks have been made in the order given in the above G. O.;

(*c*) whether any person not included in the G. O. has been appointed without providing for all the persons mentioned therein ; and

(*d*) if any person mentioned in the G. O. is still unprovided for, the reasons for the same?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) By G. O. Dis. No. 67/30/Genl., dated 9-1-1930, the rank of the then 3 acting clerks in the Ayurveda Department was fixed.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) and (*d*) Yes ; it is reported that, when an acting vacancy occurred during the close of 1105, Mr. N. Narayana Pillai, 2nd in rank among the 3 acting clerks, was appointed to it, that a service order was issued to him by the Inspector in charge of the Ayurveda Department, but he did not then report for duty, and that his claims were not therefore considered when acting vacancies occurred subsequently. On receipt of a petition now from the abovesaid Narayana Pillai,

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